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| Type: a)☐ Telephonic b)☐ Video Conference<br>c)☒ Personal [copy given to: 1)☒ applicant 2   | 2)∏ applicant's representative  | e]   |        |  |  |
| Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ✓ Yes If Yes, brief description: PowerPoint presentation description   | e) <u></u> No.<br><u>ribing device</u> .                                      |  |        |  |  |
| Claim(s) discussed: <u>1</u> .  |   |  |        |  |  |
| Identification of prior art discussed: <u>Lenker US 6,350,278</u> .   |   |  |        |  |  |
| Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g  | )⊠ was not reached. h)⊡ N   | I/A.   |        |  |  |
| Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Examiner and the Applicant discussed the Lenker reference and differences between the current application and the applied prior art. Some differences included the function of the cap and the nature of the struts. No exact amendments were agreed upon, but suggestions were made.  (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)  THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet. |   |  |        |  |  |
| -   | /Timothy J Neal/<br>Examiner, Art Unit 3731<br>Examiner's signature, if requi | red  |        |  |  |